

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled APPARATUS FOR REDUCING SPINDLE MOTOR MAGNETIC DRAG, the specification of which:

| (check one)  | X is  | attached hereto.   |   |                      |
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|  | A <sub>l</sub>  | as filed on<br>oplication Serial No<br>d was amended on<br>applicable)             |   |                      |
|  |   | and understand the con   | ntents of the above-identified specificate above.   | ion,                 |
| I acknowledge the patentability as defin   |   |  | information known to me to be materia   | ıl to                |
| (s) for patent or inv  | entor's certificate   | listed below and have a  | States Code, § 119 of any foreign applica<br>lso identified below any foreign applica<br>that of the application on which priorit   | tion                 |
| Prior Forei  | gn Application(s)   |  | Priority Claimed  |                      |
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| (Number)   | (Country)   | (Day/Month/Year  | Filed)  |                      |
| I hereby claim the application(s) listed   |   | le 35, United States Cod   | le §119(e) of any United States provision   | onal                 |
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